*R. E. Lee Students Entertain Pastors*

The students of Robert E. Lee Academy entertained the pastors in the community with a Thanksgiving program followed by an afternoon tea. The pastors hold chapel for the students each week at the new Robert E. Lee Academy. This was a token of thanks from the children for the fine service the pastors are giving. Pictured above from left to right are: Rev. Luean, Rev. Benfield, Rev. Riley, Rev. Elder, Rev. Davis and Rev. Balthaser.

## Oakville

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Page had as their dinner guests Thanksgiving Day Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Martin, Mrs. Riley Megginson and Tommy Kern, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wilkerson, Mrs. Susie Carter, son and grandson and Miss Birdie Harvey.

Congratulation to Miss Teresa Campbell in winning Miss FHA Geen for 1975-75. Teresa is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bessie Campbell.

The Friend Seeks Bible Class of Mt. Comfort United Methodist Church held their class Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hunt Hamilton. Mrs. Hamilton is recovering from recent surgery.

Supper guests on Thanksgiving Day of Mr. and Mrs. Riley Megginson were Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Martin, Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Kern, Tommie and Vicki and Mr. R. T. Megginson, Jr.

Joining Mrs. Dora Coleman for Thanksgiving Day dinner at her home were Mr. and Mrs. Otho Martin, Jr. and Richard, Mr. and Mrs. Clark Lewis and Ricky, Miss Linda Sullivan, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Richardson and Bill and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Smith and Michael.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Martin and Mrs. Riley Megginson were dinner guests on Friday of Mr. and Mrs. Garland Punkett.

The Mt. Comfort United Methodist Women will have their annual Christmas dinner at the church Sunday night, Dec. 7 at 6:00.

Jimmy Burcher U.S.N. spent Thanksgiving week end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Garland Burcher.

Glad to report Mr. Foster Catlett has returned home from the hospital. We wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Willie Tatum of Richmond, were dinner guests on Saturday of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Martin. Other visitors in the Martin home recently were Dr. King Adams, of Roanoke, Mrs. Arthur Davis and daughter, Anne of Lynchburg, and Mrs. Dallas Summers, of Pennsylvania.

Let's don't forget to keep Christ in Christmas. Don't "x"mas him out.

The family of Louis Moore met at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Garland Burcher, Jimmy & Michael on Thanksgiving Day. All of Mr. Moore's children, in-laws and grandchildren were present; also Mary Anne Wheeler, Mary J. Burcher, Gregg & Cheryl Cheatham & Mark Grimsley.

Mary J. Burcher, Mr. & Mrs. Garland Burcher visited Mrs. Ruby Boggs of Scottsville Sunday evening; also Mr. and Mrs. Earl Burcher of Buckingham.

### I. D. CARDS FOR SENIOR DISCOUNT PROGRAM

The Central Virginia Commission On Aging will be processing identification cards for the Senior Discount Program at the Appomattox Extension Service Office located in the back of the Courthouse on Morton Lane on December 11,1975 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

All citizens 60 and older are eligible to participate in the Discount Program. The Senior Discount Program is designed to provide senior citizens with a variety of discounts from participating merchants throughout Planning District XI, which includes the counties of Amherst, Appomattox, Bedford and Campbell, and the cities of Bedford and Lynchburg.

All applicants registering for the Discount Program are asked to please bring their social security number along with either their Medicare card, drivers license or birth certificate to serve as verification for their age.

### HERO CLUB

**HERO** is a chapter organization which involves occupational foods and clothing students. **HERO** stands for Home Economics Related Occupations.

The main objective is to help the youth of today assume their roles in society through home economics education in areas of personal growth, family life, vocational preparation, and community involvement.

On October 22,1975 the first organized meeting of the **HERO** club was held in room 309.

The meeting was called to order by our Vice-president. The minutes were read and approved. The officers for the year 1975-76 are as follows: President - Sylvia Culpepper, Vice-President - Tyrene Bagby; Secretary - Mary Ferguson; Treasurer - Cindy Lithford; Reporter - Ernestine Walker; Historian - Sharon Hunter.

The club has planned many things that are to be accomplished during the year.

The Program Committee is working on activities that are to be held at each meeting.

The second meeting of the **HERO** club was held November 5,1975 in room 309. The meeting was called to order by our President. The minutes were read by our secretary. They were approved as read. Next we had the treasurer's report.

All other business was discussed then refreshments were served afterwards.

The club has already worked on one of its fund raising projects for the year.

The Hero Club has some active members. By the end of the year, we hope that all of the members will be very much involved with Hero.

The emphasis for this year is "Getting Involved." By the end of our school term we hope that all the members have helped with the activites of the club. Hero hopes to have its members, school and the community involved together.

Gloria Hamlett

### ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MENU

Mon., Dec. 8 - Surf Patties, Rolls W/Butter, Green Peas, Buttered Corn, Orange Juice, Cookies

Tues., Dec. 9 Sausage Patties, Rolls W/Butter, Buttered Brocoli, Tater Tots, Banana Pudding, Milk.

Wed., Dec. 10 - Hamburger Steak W/Gravy, Rolls, W/Butter, Lima Beans, Creamed potatoes, apple sauce, milk, cookies.

Thurs., Dec. 11 - Corn Dogs, Cole Slaw, Pinto Beans, French Fries.

Fri., Dec. 12 - Vegetable Beef Soup, W/Crackers, Bologna & Cheese Sandwiches, Strawberry Short Cake, Milk.

## Revival Services To Begin November 30th

Revival services will begin November 30 and will continue through December 7th at The Church of God of Prophecy on Linden Street.

Services will begin each night at 7:30 p.m. with National Evangelist Rev. Phillip Taylor in charge. He will be assisted by his wife in this real old time Holy Ghost Revival.

There will be preaching and singing each night and the public is invited to attend.

## Three Way Sermon At Mount Shiloh Sunday

The annual Three-Way sermon will be presented at the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church this Sunday evening at 3 p.m. The three ministers taking a part are the Reverends W. R. Jones, J. W. Paige and C. L. ..... Special music will be rendered by the Spiritual Amatuer Singers of Amherst. The program is being sponsored by the Deacon Board of the Church for the benefit of the widows of the church. The general public is invited to attend.

A very good crowd attended the annual session of the East and West Bound Sunday School Union at the Springfield Baptist Church on Sunday at 10 a.m. with the president, Rev. R. Q. Lawing, presiding. The Sunday school was conducted by the unnion, which proved very helpful and instructive. After the regular business session the pastor of the church, Rev. J. P. Rose, delivered a challenging sermon. Special music was rendered by the Junior Choir of the church. The offering was lifted by Deacons Edward McCoy, Frank Johnson and Robert Jennings. The Youth prayed by all. Each school presented a literary or musical number. After all communications reports the meeting adjourned, to meet with the Gravel Hill School in its next meeting. Refreshments were served by the ladies of the church. All visitors and friends reported an enjoyable and profitable session. A total of $73.05 was left with the home school.

An appreciative crowd attended the musical concert presented by Mrs. Evelyn Berry last Sunday evening at 7 p.m. at the Galilee Baptist Church. A short devotional period was led by the pastor and the Promise Land Senior Choir. After words of welcome by the pastor, the narrator, Mrs. Johnson of Lynchburg was presented, who presided in a very excellent manner. During the half time special selections were rendered by the Harps of Zion of the Jordan Baptist Church. The general offering was lifted by Deacons John A. Watson, William Hancock and Calvin Elliott. A special love offering was presented to Mrs. Berry. Mrs. Berry thanked every one for his presence and a special thanks to her accompianist, Mr. Tim Lawing.

A very large crowd of members and friends attended the Thanksgiving service at the Zion Baptist Church. The pastor, Rev. L. E. Hankins delivered the special message on Thanksgiving based on a text taken from the 56 Psalm. The pastor gave a special place in the service just before his message to members and friends to give a testimony of thanks to God for his goodness during the past year. A large number testified. Special music was rendered by the Junior choir with Miss Sybill Franklin at the piano. Visitors were present from White Oak Grove, Triumph and Mount Pleasant churches. Refreshments were served by Rev. and Mrs. Hankins, Mrs. Mattie Lawson and Mrs. Rebecca Ferguson in the church facilities. We take this opportunity to thank all who came out to make the program a success.

Mrs. Ora Smith is on the sick list. She entered the hospital in South Boston last Monday. Those visiting Mrs. Smith on Thanksgiving Day were Mr. & Mrs. Rudolph Williams of N. C.; Rev. & Mrs. Hankins, Deacon Frank Johnson, Mrs. Edwards & Mrs. Magnolia Franklin.

Mrs. Nannie Johnson & Mr. & Mrs. Tony Mack attended the wedding of Mr. Jacob Johnson in Brooklyn, N. Y. last week end.

Miss Barbara Hunter and mother spent the week end in Paterson, N. J.

We are happy to report that the sick, Mrs. Estell Hamlett, Mrs. Charles Franklin and Mrs. Polly Franklin Blakley are improving nicely.

Mrs. Eva Allen, with her sons Tony & Herbie, also Mr. Holcomb Beasley accompanied the local Gospel Singers that appear on a program for the Mens Club of Smalls Memorial A.M.Z. Church of York, Pa. The Singers were the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bigger, who really spread the Red carpet to entertain these visitors. The following are members of the singing group who made the trip : Tibbie Allen, Marvin Dillard, Harry Troxler, James Reed, John Scruggs, Raymond Fleshman and Ralph Ackers.

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Claytor, brother and sister-in-law of Mrs. Lillie C. Stevens, along with Mrs. Letcher Joiner of Salem, Va. were dinner guests of the Stevens family of Appomattox, Va.

Those who were guests to visit the Claytors from Salem, Va. were Mrs. Eva Allen, Mrs. Dorothy Patrick, Miss Helen Stevens, Mr. John Robinson, Mr. & Mrs. Caroll Robinson, and Mr. & Mrs. George martin.

Whenever anybody goes out to the Preston family in the death of their sister, Mrs. Rosetta Preston. Funeral services were conducted in Washington, D. C. Saturday.

We regret to report that Mrs. Lillie Jane Fleshman is still in the Lynchburg General. Marshall Lodge hospital.

Mr. Wilford McFay is receiving special treatment in the Lynchburg General Marshall-Lodge hospital.


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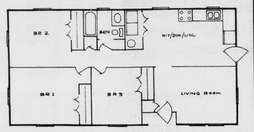


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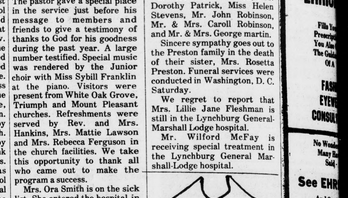

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I'm going to be very much surprised if we don't hear more about a new organization called the Agricultural Council of America. Recently I heard the President tell about the council and what it attempts to do.

It was founded in 1973 for a single purpose: to build, all through honest, two-way communication, a lasting bond of partnership between farmers and consumers, based on interdependance that exists between the two and the role each must play to insure a strong and healthy America.

They operate a toll free telephone in Washington, where consumers and farmers can call for information. They attempt to get a cross-section of farmers to respond to the consumer questions.

This group is non-profit, non-legislative, and non-partisan. Financial support comes from 3500 groups. The year they received $409,000 more than double the first 18 months.

Consumers need to understand that there's less than 5c worth of wheat in a loaf of bread and that the cost won't be significantly changed wheat sells for $1.50 a bushel of $3.00 a bushel.

That while a few years ago a self-propelled combine sold for just over $10,000, they are now in excess of $30,000. The cost of doing business on the farm goes up and up.

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**PRECIPITATION:**

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| Month of Nov. | 1.85 |
| Nor. for Nov. | 2.92 |
| This Month | .15 |
| This Year | 60.29 |
| Nor. for this year | 37.55 |

## Beta Sigma Phi Notes

Delta Zeta Chapte of Beta Sigma Phi held its meeting on November 26 at the home of Mrs. Amy Nash.

Plans were made for the Annual Family Christmas Party to be held on December 14 at the Appomattox County Rescue Squad Building.

Amy Nash and Diana Williams presented a program entitled **Women To Whom We Are Indebted.**

The meeting was closed with members reciting the closing **Ritual.**

The social hour followed.

### ALUMNI BASKETBALL GAMES SET

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'67.

Line-up for the boys game is as follows:

**EVEN YEAR TEAM:** Mike Seay, forward, and Gene Price guard, class of '68; Carroll Goodrich, guard, class of '66; Mike Weakley, forward, David Scruggs, guard, and Kelvin Berry, class of '72; Bill Mann, Richard McCoy, Mark Eggleston, and James Reed, class of '74; "Boots" Carter, class of '56; and Darry Dillard, class of '73.

**ODD YEAR TEAM:** Dudley Hill, guard, class of '69; Bobby Layne, G-F, Bill Austin, F-C, Dennis Terry, F-C, Leon Robinson, Denneth Gafford, and Max Gafford, class of '73; Jack Caldwell, guard, and Tommie O'Brien, clas of '57; Boopie Whitehead, class of '63; John Scruggs, guard, Ellis Fleshman and James Abbitt, class of '75; and Welton Gafford, class of'71.

Come out Saturday night and support your favorite team and support the athletic program at the same time!

### CRIME RATE IN US INCREASE IN 1974

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arrests of persons under 18 years of age up nine percent and arrests of persons 18 and over up one percent. From 1969 to 1974, arrests increased nine percent - with arrests of persons under 18 to 16 percent during those years and arrests of persons 18 and over up seven percent.

-- Twenty-one percent of the UCR offenses were solved in 1974, including 80 percent of the murders, 51 percent of the forcible rapes, 27 percent of the robberies, 63 percent of the aggravated assaults, 18 percent of the burglaries, 20 percent of the larcenies, and 15 percent of the motor vehicle thefts.

The UCR divides serious crime into two categories violent and property crimes. Violent crimes are composed of murder, forcible rape, robbery, and aggravated assault. Property crimes include burglary, larceny-theft, and auto theft.

Mr. Kelley said violent crimes, as a group, increased 11 percent -- with robbery up 15 percent, aggravated assault and forcible rape each up eight percent, and murder up six percent. Property crimes increased as a group 18 percent, with larceny-theft up 21 percent, burglary up 18 percent, and motor vehicle theft up five percent.

Other UCR findings:

**Narcotics**

Narcotics arrests increased two percent over 1973 and 80 percent over 1969. Narcotics arrests of persons under 18 made up 10 percent of all arrests; those under 18 made up 27 percent; under 21, 43 percent; and under 25, 58 percent.

**Sex of Arrestees**

Arrests of males outnumbered females by five to one, but arrests of females increased nine percent from 1973 to 1974, while arrests of males were up only two percent.

**Average Losses**

The average loss to robbers was $321 per offense, with a total loss of $142 million. Burglaries resulted in an average loss of $391 for a total loss of $1.2 billion for 1974. Average loss per larceny was $156, with a total loss of $816 million. The average value of a stolen vehicle was $1,246.

**Robberies**

Bank robberies increased 94 percent from 1969 to 1974; chain stores, 184 percent; other commercial or business establishments, 42 percent; street robberies, 29 percent, and robberies of residences increased 63 percent, while robberies of gas stations decreased 20 percent.

**Weapons**

Firearms were used to commit robberies 45 percent of the time; knife or other cutting instruments, 13 percent; other weapons, eight percent, while strong-arm robberies made up 34 percent of the total.

**Burglaries**

Burglaries of residences accounted for 62 percent of all burglaries. Daytime burglaries of residences increased 19 percent in 1974 over 1973, and were up 67 percent over 1969.

**Numbers of Police**

There were 2.5 police employees per 1,000 inhabitants in the United States dur - 1974. Eleven percent of the employees were females and 15 percent were civilians.

**Violence Against Police**

There were 132 law enforcement officers killed in 1974, and 947 killed during the 10-year period from 1965 through 1974. In 1974, 96 percent of the officers were killed with firearms. Of 1,330 offenders identified in the killing of police officers, 77 percent had at least one prior arrest, 41 percent had a prior arrest for a violent crime, and 57 percent had a prior conviction for some crime. Fifteen of every 100 officers were assaulted during 1974, with 81 percent of the attacks coming by hands, fists, and feet.

**Firearms**

During 1974, 68 percent of all murders were committed with a firearm, and 54 percent of all murders were committed with a handgun. Twenty-five percent of all aggravated assaults were committed with a firearm, and 45 percent of all robberies were through use of a firearm.


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### TRAYWICK CONSTRUCTION MAY HASTEN RECOVERY FROM RECESSION

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Traywick reports that bank debits, which are checks charged against demand deposits, were "somewhat sluggish in October and showed a rise of only 13.9 percent over that of a year ago." The increase fell below the year-to-date rate of 19.5 percent. The report still predicted that "if there is some improvement in November and December," bank debits could come close to approaching the pre-recession level of 22.1 percent.

New car registrations were off 15.5 percent compared to October 1974, although the decrease rated as an improvement over the summer registrations plummetted some 30 percent.

Traywick also pointed to a drop in the state's unemployment rate as a "bright note" in the economy. The number of unemployed Virginians decreased from 6.3 percent in September to 6.0 percent in October. Meanwhile the National unemployment rate was showing a slight increase.

Electricity consumed was off in October by 4.8 percent, while postal receipts decreased 3.4 percent Water consumption and newspaper advertising lineage were off slightly. In addition, rising food prices continued to contribute to inflation.


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